

HARDEST MAN HE EVER MET

Fitzgerald's Opinion of Jimmy Britt, the Lightweight

CALIFORNIAN THE WINNER

Got the Decision in the Twentieth Round on Points

WAS THE FASTEST AND BEST FISTIC ENCOUNTER THAT HAS EVER TRANSPIRED IN SAN FRANCISCO — FITZGERALD IS GAME.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 28.—Referee Eddy Graney declared Jimmy Britt the winner of one of the fastest and best fights ever seen in San Francisco. Willie Fitzgerald, of Brooklyn, was the man who put up the good contest against the California wonder. Britt was the cleverer and faster of the two and landed two blows to Fitzgerald's one. With the exception of the last round, when Fitzgerald put the San Francisco boy on his hands with a left swing to the jaw, Britt's superiority was manifest during the entire fight. In the first round Fitzgerald sent Britt down but the Californian was at no time distressed. He knew exactly what he was doing and when he got up, he started at Fitzgerald as if the fight had just commenced. The going, however, ended the round. Fitzgerald had the advantage of Britt in height, reach and muscular development, but he was not nearly his equal in speed or cleverness. Britt's ducking of right and left swings constituted some of the prettiest work ever seen here. Britt devoted most of his attention to Fitzgerald's stomach and landed numerous left punches that took the steam out of the Brooklyn boy. Britt occasionally landed on Fitzgerald's jaw, generally at the close of the round, but neither man was apparently able to seriously punish the other. Fitzgerald showed that he could punch hard with either hand and could take lots of punishment. Britt demonstrated that he is one of the fastest, coolest and most scientific men that has ever appeared in the ring. Fitzgerald, after the fight, admitted that the decision was a just one. He said that he injured his right hand in the second round when he knocked Britt down and was unable to do effective work without injuring it in the remainder of the fight. He said he would like a return match as he felt confident that he could show that he was the better man of the two. He said Britt was the hardest man he ever met.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 28.—Dr. George Daria Boardman, author, orator and preacher, died here today after a long illness.

Chicago, April 28.—The plant of the International Salt Co., and three boats, lying in the Calumet river, were destroyed by fire tonight. The loss is estimated at \$1,250,000.

Washington, April 28.—In the United States Supreme Court the hearing in the extradition case of Whitaker Wright was begun today.

Paris, April 28.—The dispersals of the congregations continue to be accompanied with violent agitation and disorder wherever they occur.

Cumberland, Md., April 28.—Grover Cleveland on his way to St. Louis, was

KING EDWARD AND POPE WILL TALK PRIVETLY

ROME, Italy, April 28.—When King Edward received Premier Zanardelli today his Majesty said: "I am very glad to be in Italy," and, he added, emphatically, "especially in Rome." These words, while they have produced great satisfaction, have been much

AMERICANS TOOK BRIBES AND ARE CAUGHT AT IT

VICTORIA, B. C., April 28.—Two Japanese papers published stories to the effect that the American officers, sent over to watch the construction of the Manila gunboats built for the United States by the Urugua Dock Company, were bribed and passed work which resulted in structural defects in the first

enthusiastically greeted at the railroad station tonight by thousands of persons. Cleveland addressed the gathering from the platform of his car.

Expect Several Deaths.

Stanford University, Palo Alto, Cal., April 28.—Reports on the typhoid situation for the past twenty-four hours record one death and two new cases in the town of Palo Alto. Physicians state that the coming week will be extremely critical and that several deaths are to be expected from among the number of those now suffering from the fever.

Irving Scott Dead.

San Francisco, Cal., April 28.—Irving M. Scott, who for many years was vice-president and general manager of the Union Iron Works, died this afternoon at his home in this city. He has been in poor health for some time and, a few days ago, he was stricken with alarming symptoms. Scott has long been a sufferer from kidney trouble.

OREGON MAY SEE LYNCHING

Residents of Canby Hot Upon Trail of a Tramp

WHO ASSAULTED A WOMAN

In the Heart of the Town and in the Broad Light of Day

ENTERED HOUSE OF EX-COUNTY COMMISSIONER BAIR AND, AT POINT OF REVOLVER, MADE HIS DAUGHTER YIELD TO HIS BEASTLY DEMANDS.

CANBY, Ore., April 28.—The residents of this place are in hot pursuit of a tramp who assaulted a defenseless woman this morning. The indignation of the people is running so high that the man may be lynched if caught. A tramp entered the home of ex-County Commissioner Bair, in the heart of the town, and, after pointing a revolver at Mrs. Tillie Willis, the only occupant of the house, and the daughter of Bair, assaulted her. He then left the house and started up the railroad track toward Barlow. The woman gave the alarm, and about an hour afterwards, a posse started in pursuit. Descriptions of the man have been telegraphed to points south, and, it is believed, he cannot escape.

Two Kind You Have Always Signed
The Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

WOODS FULL OF BEASTS

VORACIOUS COUGARS CAUSE THE ST. HELENS FARMERS SOME CONCERN.

ST. HELENS, April 28.—The Columbia County Pomona Grange will hold its regular quarterly meeting at Yankton next Saturday, and it is expected that there will be a good representation from the fourteen granges in the county. Among the special matters to be considered is that of county road improvement and a recommendation that the next Legislature be asked to increase the bounty on cougar scalps. A new grange is to be instituted at Deer Island Wednesday evening.

"Now good digestion waits on appetite and health on both." If it doesn't, try Burdock Blood Bitters.

WENT DASHING THROUGH IOWA

The President Everywhere Greeted by Crowds

WAS GREATLY IMPRESSED

By Large Number of School Children Which Met Him

DELIVERED AN ADDRESS TO MYSTIC SHRINERS IN DES MOINES AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN THE EVENING — WITHSTANDING THE STRAIN NOBLY.

OTTUMWA, Iowa, April 28.—President Roosevelt dashed across the state of Iowa today and was everywhere met by enthusiastic crowds. His speech-making began at 7 o'clock this morning, when he made a brief stop at Shenandoah, and his last speech was delivered here shortly after 8 o'clock tonight before thousands of people. He spoke tonight of the good work Secretary Wilson has done in the field of agriculture.

The President had, as his guests today, Governor Cummins and Secretary Shaw and for a part of the day Congressmen Hull and Hepburn. He will spend the night here, leaving at 4:30 o'clock tomorrow morning for Okla., and will arrive at St. Louis tomorrow afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock.

One of the largest crowds that has greeted the President since his trip began was waiting for him at Des Moines this afternoon. He was taken for a long drive through the city and stopped for a moment to address the Mystic Shriners, who are holding a convention there. He was then driven to the Capitol, where he made an extended address on good citizenship.

One of the features of the day was the large number of school children the President. This feature pleased the President very much, and he referred to the children several times during the day. The President is bearing the strain of his trip splendidly and his face has not yet lost the tan it acquired during his two weeks in the Yellowstone Park.

Cabinet Meeting Called.

Washington, April 28.—An important conference between the President and the members of his Cabinet will be held in St. Louis probably on Wednesday night. The special train bearing the President and his party will arrive at St. Louis Wednesday afternoon at 4:10. President Roosevelt and Secretary Shaw, who is to be of the party, will be joined there by other members of the Cabinet. Matters of importance which have arisen since the President's departure from Washington will be brought to the attention of the Chief Executive. These will include Russia's attitude in Manchuria, the developments in the investigation of the Post-office Department, and some departmental matters upon which the President will have to pass.

Since leaving the Yellowstone Park the President has been in close touch with Washington. Communications between him and the heads of departments have been exchanged daily, both by mail and telephone.

A batch of important documents for his signature was forwarded to him today. Included in the lot are some important commissions. It is not unlikely that some pending appointments may be agreed upon at the St. Louis conference, but they probably will not be announced until after the return of the members of the Cabinet to Washington.

SHOT DOWN IN HOME

JOSEPH SIMPSON, ASSASSIN, FORMER WATCHMAN IN MYSTERIOUSLY BURNED HOUSE.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Leopold Wertheimer, a wealthy city dry goods merchant, was shot three times at his home in West One Hundred and Fifteenth street, early today. He was wounded in the chest, arm and right side, and is in a serious condition. Charged with the shooting the police have arrested Joseph Simpson, 30 years old, of East One Hundred and Twenty-first street.

The injured man is 32 years of age, and a member of the firm of Aaron & Wertheimer, dry goods merchants, who recently were burned out at their place of business in Third avenue. Simpson, the police say, was employed there as a watchman prior to the fire. At the time of the fire two persons were burned to death.

The motive of the shooting is a mystery, both to the police and the Wertheimer family. Simpson, who was very cool when arrested, refused to make any statement. Since the fire Wertheimer has not been engaged in any business. The firm discharged its employees, including Simpson, but he got work as a motorman. A week ago he lost that position. He had a long talk with Mr. Wertheimer yesterday and returned last night. He again talked with Mr. Wertheimer, and the family thinks Simpson wanted money. The latter returned to the Wertheimer home at an early hour today, and the shooting occurred in the hallway of the house, after which Simpson walked away and later was arrested.

All that Simpson would say was that Wertheimer owed him money for something he had done and had refused to pay him. Wertheimer denied this, but said Simpson had demanded money from him as a brother.

HIS TESTIMONY IS DESIRED.

NEW YORK, April 28.—Counsel for Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Mrs. Herman O. Richards, sisters of the late Charles L. Fair, who with his wife was killed in France, today appealed to the Supreme Court for an order to compel Albert J. Moranne to answer questions in the contest Mrs. Fair's relatives are making over the Fair estate. Moranne was the French witness who declined to say where he stopped the night before the accident and where he got the bicycle he was riding when he saw Mr. and Mrs. Fair killed. Decision was reserved.

Quick Arrest.

J. A. Gullege, of Verbena, Ala., was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing 24 tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Buckle's Arnica Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers headaches and kills pain. 25¢ at S. C. Stone's, Salem.

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Count Cassini so Assures Secretary of State

ON OFFICIAL INSTRUCTION

America's Trade and Industrial Interests in Manchuria Safe

AMERICAN STEEL, LUMBER, COTTON GOODS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL TOO VALUABLE TO RUSSIA FOR HER TO DISPENSE WITH — MINISTER WRONG.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Russia's part in what has come to be known as the Manchurian incident was explained tonight by Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador. He said:

"Acting under instructions from my Government, I have officially assured the Secretary of State not only that the American interests in Manchuria, trade and industrial, will be thoroughly safeguarded, so far as Russia is concerned, but also of the unfortunate error contained in Minister Conger's dispatches several days ago from Peking relative to the course of Russia in Manchuria.

"We need American steel, lumber, cotton goods and construction material of all kinds, and this fact, together with the traditional good relations prevailing between Russia and the United States is sufficient assurance that the American trade interests in Manchuria will be protected."

GOVERNOR RICHARDS DEAD

HE WILL BE SUCCEEDED BY SECRETARY OF STATE CHATERTON.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 28.—Governor De Forest Richards died at his home in this city at 8 o'clock today, of acute kidney disease.

Governor Richards was born at Charleston, N. H., August 6, 1846. His father was a Congregational minister. After finishing his schooling at Phillips Andover Academy, he went to Alabama and engaged in cotton raising. There he was sheriff, lawmaker and county treasurer in turn. In 1886 he came to Douglas, Converse county, Wyo., and established the First National Bank. He was elected mayor of the town, then State Senator, and in 1898 was elected Governor on the Republican ticket, succeeding himself in 1902.

The Governor's chair now falls to Fenimore Chatterton, Secretary of State, as there is no Lieutenant-Governor in Wyoming.

The funeral of Governor Richards will be held probably Friday, under the auspices of the Masons, of which he was past grand master.

CLIP WILL BE AVERAGE

VALLEY WOOL GROWERS ESTIMATE PRODUCTION WITH APPREHENSION OF QUALITY.

HARRISBURG, Ore., April 28.—Wool growers in this vicinity estimate that the 1903 crop will be an average production. The quality, however, will hardly be up to the usual high grade of Willamette valley wool on account of the hard winter and the shortness of feed, which will result in fleece-grown wool in cases where the sheep were not hand fed and well sheltered.

COMMANDER IS COMING.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 28.—Booth-Tucker, commander of the Salvation Army forces in the United States, left this morning for Tacoma and Portland. Commander Tucker was in Seattle two days and during that time held five public meetings. Every one of them was crowded. Last night the meeting was held in the First Presbyterian Church, when Tucker lectured on "The Sunny and Seamy Side of Salvation Army Life." Many prominent ministers and citizens occupied seats in the pulpit railing. The church could not hold half the people who tried to get in.

REGISTER BEFORE SIGNING

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Editor Statesman: PORTLAND, April 24.—At the request of a number of business men and working men of this city, I desire to say that any legal voter in Marion county, or anywhere in the state can sign the referendum petitions now being circulated, but as the county clerks must certify that he believes such signers to be voters it is always best to register before signing, if the signer is not already a registered voter.

The petition for the referendum of the Portland Railway Corporation Tax Bill and Exemption Bill can be had of any of the newspapers in this county and some of the leading citizens. All desiring to sign the petition will please do so as quickly as possible.

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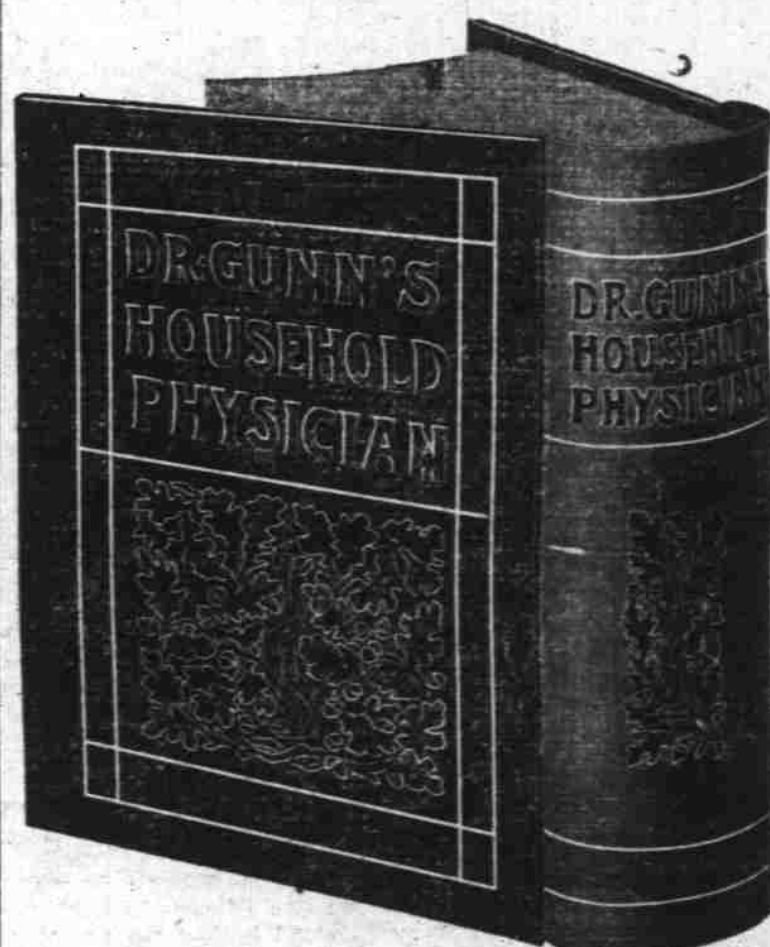
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